



## Washington is the Pole Star of the American Nation Today As He was in the Revolution

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Geo. Washington, after a century and a quarter, still remains the pole star of American foreign policy, declared Jacob Gould Schurman, president of Cornell University, today in an address before the University of Pennsylvania, which suspended its regular academic functions in celebration of Washington's birthday.

Dr. Schurman recalled how Washington attended commencement at the University of Pennsylvania in May, 1775—then known as the College of Philadelphia—in company with the other members of the Continental Congress. Toward the conclusion of his address, Dr. Schurman, after having discussed Washington's preeminence as a soldier and statesman, his Americanism and his insistence on American rights, said:

"How inspiring is the example of Washington to Americans today! Once more a great European power menaces our rights. We are forbidden to sail our ships or to travel where we will on the high seas, under penalty of being sunk without warning by submarines. The German government draws lines across the ocean, which is free to all, and says to America: 'Thus far shalt thou come, but no farther.' Now we recognize the restrictions of a legitimate blockade and the penalties of carrying contraband: these are fixed by the law of nations. But apart from these limitations, American ships and American passengers have a right to go where they will on all the seven seas.

"Are there any who weakly advise us to forego our rights in deference to the German challenge? Would Germany, I ask, forgo her rights if in her place America without any warrant of law, had set aside a vast tract of ocean for

ruinous depredations on the commerce of neutrals and ruthless attack on the lives of non-combatants? Could any great nation survive, ought any great nation to survive, which cravenly yields its rights at the summons of the aggressor? The same law which guarantees our rights to territorial waters authorizes us to sail freely on the high seas. If belligerents are permitted to exclude us from the oceans, why should they not also appropriate our territorial waters—or even march their armies across our frontiers? The surrender of one national right weakens and imperils every other. Come what may, our nation must defend its rights. And with united hearts and resolute determination the American people stand behind President Wilson; and they will not tolerate either the paralysis of American shipping or the murder of American citizens."

"There is a third feature of Washington's statesmanship which is especially instructive at the present," Dr. Schurman also pointed out. "I mean his advocacy of military preparedness and his general attitude to the questions of peace and war.

"Though Washington was a great general and fought a victorious war for national independence, he was no glorifier of militarism. On the other hand he was equally removed from pacifism. He regarded war as one of the inevitable features of national existence. Listen to the wise words he addressed to Congress in his first speech after re-election: 'I cannot recommend to your

notice measures for the fulfillment of our duties to the rest of the world, without again pressing upon you the necessity of placing ourselves in a condition of complete defense, and of exacting from them the fulfillment of their duties to

wards us. The United States ought not to indulge a persuasion, that, contrary to the order of human events, they will for ever keep at a distance those painful appeals to arms, with which the history of every other nation abounds. There is a rank due to the United States among nations, which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost, by the reputation of weakness. If we desire to avoid insult, we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments of our rising prosperity, it must be known that we are at all times ready for war."

"In this passage you have Washington's whole philosophy of peace, war and preparedness. Nothing truer or wiser has ever been written, and Washington's words are as true and wise and applicable today as they were when he uttered them in 1793. Undoubtedly there have been many changes in the century and a quarter that has since elapsed. Communications by sea and land have greatly improved, intercourse with foreign countries has increased, international relations have been multiplied. But human nature is substantially unchanged, and national ambitions and rivalries, stimulated by greater prizes, are more intense and perhaps more explosive than ever before. Whatever by the future prospects of the human race, we have not yet reached that stage of rational and moral development in which justice, righteousness and public law can dispense with the sanctions of physical force.

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## AMERICAN ENGINEERS BUILD CHINESE ROAD

(By Associated Press.)

PEKING, Feb. 22.—American engineers have begun the actual survey on two of the railways which are to be built in China by the Siam-Carey Railway and Canal Co., an American organization financed by the American International Corporation.

The lines upon which the surveyors are working are in central and south China. One of the lines extends from Chueh in Hunan province south through Hengchowfu and Yungchowfu in the same province to Kweilin in Kwangsi province, then southwest to Liuchowfu and Nanning in the same province, then southeast to Yanchow, or Chinchow, in Kwangtung province, a port on the Gulf of Tongking. This route is about 800 miles long.

The other line upon which the

engineers are working runs in general east and west directions. It starts at Chowkiakow, in Honan province, and extends through Nanyangfu in the same province to Hsiangyifu in Hupeh province. The latter city is an important commercial point on the Han River, which drains a very fertile valley well developed agriculturally. Although this line is only 300 miles in length, it is regarded as an especially valuable route because it extends through a rich level country offering few engineering difficulties, and so fertile and populous that the railway will doubtless pay, as soon as it is put into operation. Actual construction work will probably be begun on this line in a short time, and it will doubtless be the first part of the new American railways opened to traffic.

## RECRUITS OF 1918 CALLED IN FRANCE

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Feb. 17.—The fifth contingent of conscripts called out in France since August, 1914, is now passing before the medical examining board. Physically, the "class of 1918" is declared to be the best of the five, and its morale equal, if not superior, to that of any of its predecessors. They have witnessed a two and a half years' constant procession of bereavements, none of the hardships of trench life in this war have been concealed from them, yet their ardor is no less than that of the recruits of 1915 mobilized at the height of the enthusiasm over the victory of the Marne.

Ninety-five per cent of the class of 1918, which numbers about 340,000, including something like 30,000 recruits of 1917 whose incorporation was adjourned, are either declared good for armed service or adjourned for lack of physical development—too small chest expansion. Only five per cent are placed in the category of the hopelessly unfit to bear arms and assigned to auxiliary services. This

is only half the average percentage of exemptions before the war.

The physique of the young men mobilized since August 2, 1914, has been attributed to the growing practice of sports in France during the past ten years. "It is not that," says a man who has attended the examinations of five classes since the war began. "It may be that sports have greatly developed young men in the cities, but it should not be forgotten that the French army is largely an army of farmers' boys, of boys who practice no other sport than that of handling the plow, the axe and the pitchfork. It is the farmer boys that show up the best in the young recruits; they generally ask to be incorporated in the Zouaves, the terrors of the army and the heroes of Verdun. The city boys—particularly students—prefer aviation, an arm that appeals to skill more than to muscle."

## ENGLAND TO INDIA BY AN AIR ROUTE

(By Associated Press.)

DELHI, India, Feb. 22.—From England to India by air within the next ten years was prophesied by Lord Montagu, of Beaulieu, in an address on the future of aviation as revealed to him through his connection with the air board in England. Lord Montagu said he expected to see mails and passengers carried over this route of from 3600 to 5000 miles in from three to five days time.

### LIEBKNECHT DISBARRED

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—In line with similar steps that have been taken since the arrest and double conviction of Dr. Karl Liebknecht on the charge of attempted treason, the superior court of Berlin has disbarred him from practicing.

### WOMEN SMOKERS INCREASE

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Cigarette smoking has become so universal among women war workers that some of the London suburban railways have decided to reserve ladies' smoking compartments on certain trains.

### MAY ARRANGE A DEAL FOR THE CALIFORNIA

W. B. Sollender, of Tonopah, has been in conference with the State Bank people in an endeavor to arrange for the working of the old California property at Tonopah. It is believed by many that, with proper development and the expenditure of money, it can be put into the producing lists.—Carson Appeal.

### MINDEN COURT HOUSE UNROOFED BY STORM

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Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 15th day of March, 1917, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on Monday, the 2nd day of April, 1917, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the cost of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the Board of Directors, ALFRED K. DUBROW, Secretary, 365 Bush street, San Francisco, California. Feb-22-17

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